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RM19.9m to be distributed to hardcore poor

KUANTAN, Mon. - The National Unity and Social Development Ministry will distribute RM19.9 million to 111,884 hardcore poor in the country through the Social Welfare Department by the end of this year.

The money is part of the RM100 million allocated to the department under the pre-emptive measure announced by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad recently.

Its Minister Datuk Dr Siti Zaharah Sulaiman said RM14.583 million would be given through the respective States, while the remaining RM5.317 million would be distributed by the Federal Government.

"From now to Dec 13, RM382,920 will be given to 2,645 people, including RM100,000 for 500 people in Pahang," she said after giving the aids to recipients from Pahang at Kolej Islam Pahang Sultan Haji Ahmad Shah here today.

The remainder will be given to those in Kedah, Malacca, Kelantan, Perak and Terengganu.

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